

# Student Organization Leadership Day Brings Over 800 Students to the Capital to Highlight Career and Technical Education Week

Students hear from state legislators and learn how they can make a difference



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VICA Officer Russell Camp.



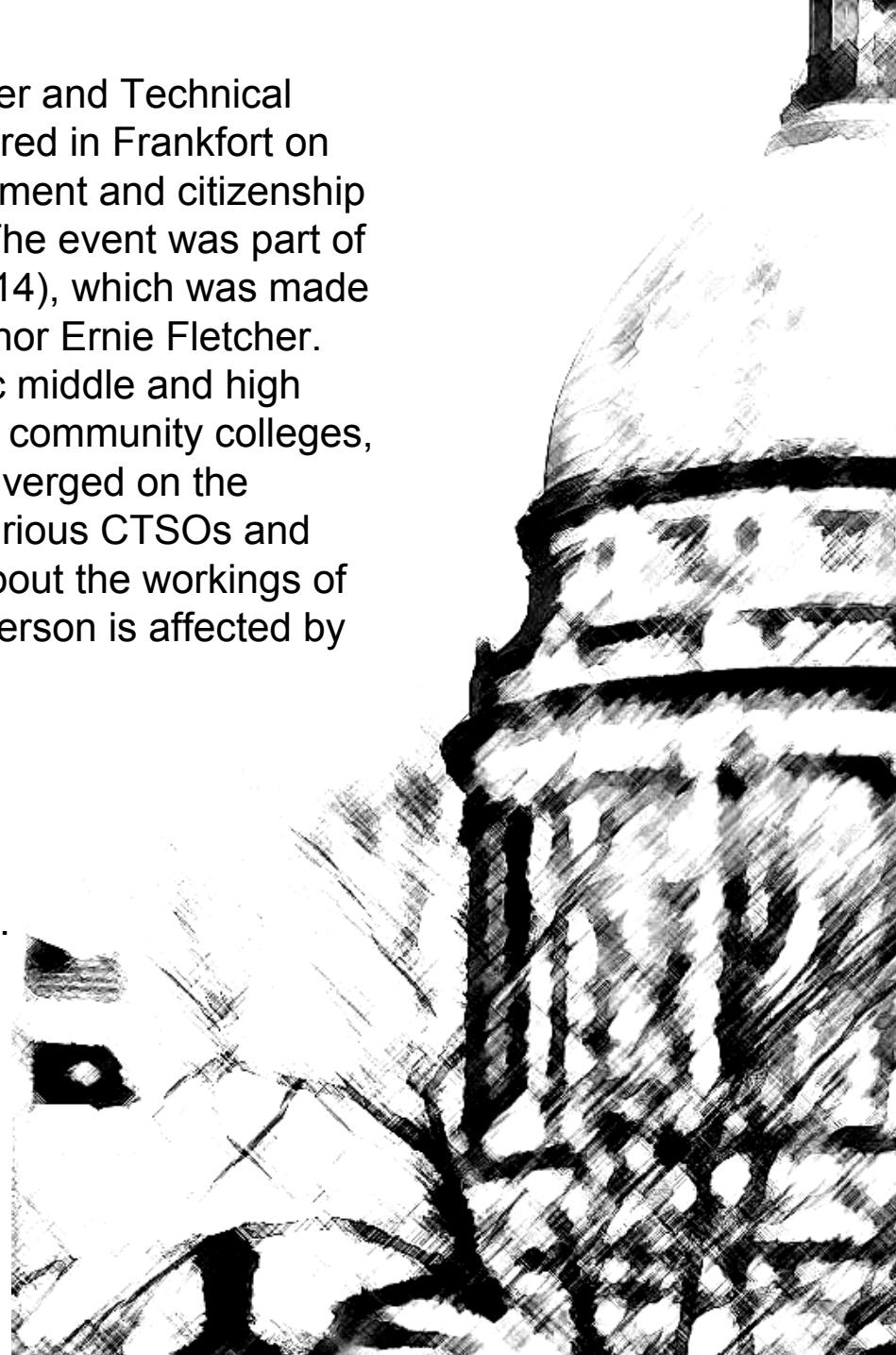
Senator Vernie McGaha, left  
and KACTE President  
Chester Taylor.

Student leaders from the state's eight Career and Technical Education Student Organizations (CTSO) gathered in Frankfort on Feb.10 to observe and learn about state government and citizenship during Student Organization Leadership Day. The event was part of Career and Technical Education Week (Feb. 8-14), which was made official through a signed proclamation by Governor Ernie Fletcher.

Over 800 students and advisors from public middle and high schools, area technology centers, technical and community colleges, and public universities throughout Kentucky converged on the Capitol to visit legislators, see displays about various CTSOs and hear from state representatives and senators about the workings of the government. Students learned how every person is affected by decisions made in the General Assembly.

Participants were able to visit their locally elected legislators and sit in on sessions of the state's House of Representatives and Senate. Leadership Day is presented by the Kentucky Association for Career and Technical Education. The 2004 theme for Career and Technical Education Week was ***Career Tech – The Path for Success.***

Career and Technical Education Student Organizations help members obtain leadership skills and gain experience that will help them pursue careers, college and lifelong learning.



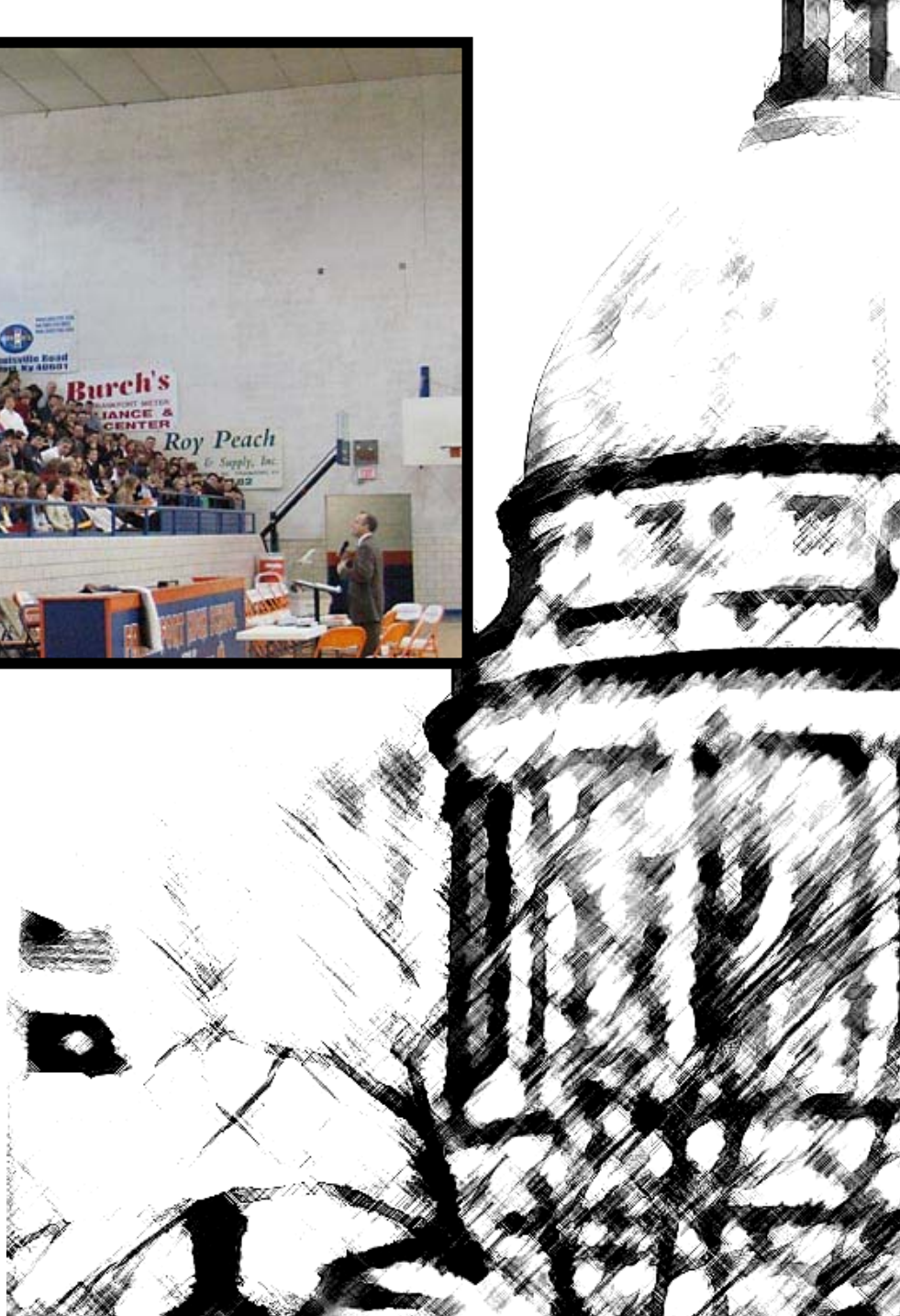




**Student Assembly at  
Frankfort H.S. Gym**



**Rep. Danny Ford, center, poses with  
students from the Rockcastle Co. ATC.**



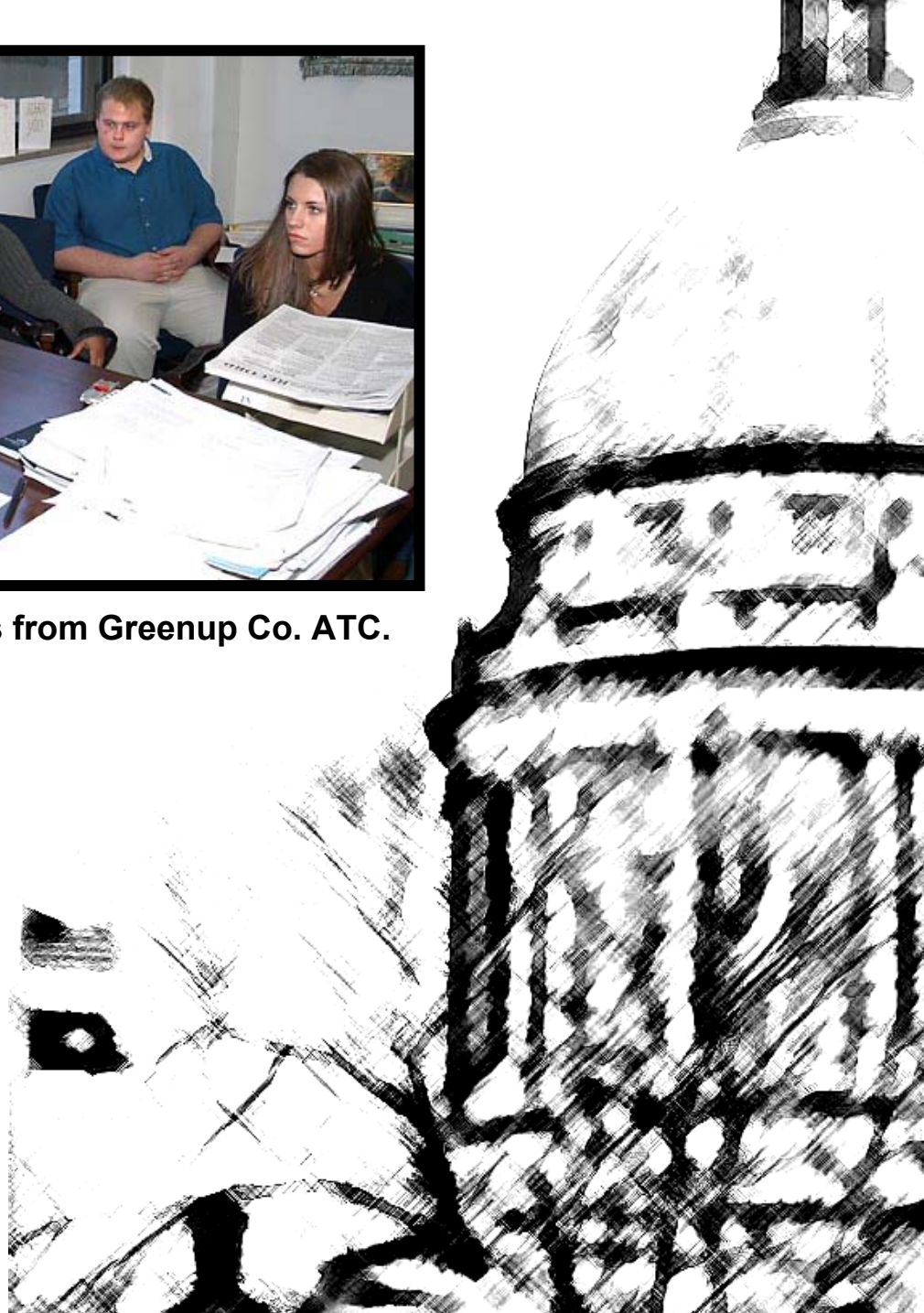




**Rep. Tanya Pullin meets with students from Greenup Co. ATC.**



**Rep. Brent Yonts (Muhlenberg Co.) looks over a display at the Capitol.**





**Rep. Derrick Graham**



**KACTE Executive Director Mike Stone discusses the power of first impressions with the help of these student state officers.**



**Lake Cumberland ATC Group with Senator Vernie McGaha**





**Ohio Co. ATC group poses with  
Representative Tommy Thompson  
and Senator Jerry Rhodes**



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**Greenup Co. ATC Group with  
Representative Tanya Pullin**

